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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Robert A. Ferstenberg et al.

Serial No.: 09/209,815

Group Art Unit: 2767

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For: COMPUTER METHOD AND SYSTEM  
FOR INTERMEDIATED EXCHANGE  
OF COMMODITIES

Attorney Docket No.: 8854-0606

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 1999, Applicants submit this Amendment and respectfully request consideration of the following remarks and amendments. A petition for extension of time authorizing the appropriate fee is enclosed herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add the following new claims:

86. (New) A computer implemented method for an electronic intermediated exchange of a plurality of commodities among a plurality of participants comprising the electronic negotiation steps of:

(a) receiving, at an intermediary computer program, electronic opening messages from computer programs representing the participants, wherein the opening messages provide commodity exchange requests of the participants;

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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Sir:

The fee required to be filed with the accompanying amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$0.

The claim amendment fee has been estimated as shown below:

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CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDIT. FEE	OR	ADDIT. FEE
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Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.  
A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

 Respectfully submitted,  
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Enclosure